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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversations with Congressional Staffers on China Trip

1. On August 19, at the request of Mr. Cary, OLC, I arranged to have several analysts from DDI meet with Clark McFadden, counsel for Senate Armed Services Committee, in Mr. Cary's office. McFadden had asked for Jim Lilley's participation, but Lilley was not in the building this week. McFadden wished to discuss his impressions of his trip, and to be available for any debriefing.

2. Participating were

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CSO; and Mr. Cary. The DCI also dropped in for a few minutes to hear Clark's report on the earthquake and inquire about his contacts in Peking, Chinese and American.

- 3. McFadden acknowledged that he learned little of intelligence significance, but discussed his impressions of Chinese society, his meetings with officials—cut short by the earthquake—visits to communes, factories, and a PLA Division. He was interested in putting some of his notes into context for a report he is writing, and agreed to bounce that report off of several analysts here. The discussions continued over lunch in the Executive Dining Room.
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4. On August 20, also at Mr. Cary's request, I arranged to have brief Pat Holt on our impressions here of the earthquake's impact. reported that the briefing lasted one hour and a half, and went well. He agreed to provide us a few paragraphs on that briefing and his discussions with McFadden, since I had to leave for a considerable part of the McFadden discussions.

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